POWERS' NOTE TO CHINA.

BY ENGLAND. Other Nations Have Agreed, but the British

DELAT IN PRESENTING IT CAUSED

Representative Has Not Received Instructions -The Chinese Commissioners' Credentials Still Under Suspicion.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. From a Staff Correspondent. PERIN. Dec. 9 .- The dilatoriness on the

part of the British Foreign Office in instructing Sir Ernest Satow is responsible for the delay in signing the preliminary demand note which is to be presented to the Chinese Government through Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching. All the other allies have agreed to the preliminary demands and also to the language of the full note, the text of which was cabled to England ten days ago. As soon as the British representative receives his instructions another meeting of the Ministers will be called. Unless his instructions demand an alteration in the preliminary note, which, it is believed, will not be the case, and unless some of the other governments change their attitude radically, the note will be signed and pre-

sented to the Chinese representatives The question of credentials of Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching has egain been When Dr. Mumm von Schwartzenstein, the German Minister, arrived at Shanghai he saw Li Hung Chang and asked to see his credentials. Earl Li informed him that he had received an edict by telegraph, appointing himself and Prince Ching representatives of the Chinese Government with full powers. He added that he could produce the credentials whenever necessary. Again, at Tientsin Dr. Mumm von Schwartzenstein made a similar request of Li Hung Chang and received a similar answer.

It appears that neither Chinese Com missioner has received an official copy of the edict appointing them, bearing the great seal. The Ministers do not question the statements of the Commissioners that they are duly authorized to treat in behalf of the Chinese Government with the foreign representatives, but they know that in dealing with the Chinese it is unsafe to assume anything or to take anything for granted, so they again demanded to see the credentials. The Commissioners then acknowledged that they had received nothing beyond the telegraphed edict. They were informed that this was insufficient. On Friday Li Hung Chang, through his secretary, informed the Ministers that it would be contrary to Chinese custom to send a special edict appointing Commisners and defining their duties. He added that the fact of the appointment of Prince Ching and himself was sufficient guarantee that they had full power to act as the reprecentatives of the Chinese Government.

The Ministers then demanded to be informed as to whether the edict appointing II Sung Chang some years ago as Commissioner to settle the terms of peace with Japan

defined his powers. Li Hung Chang next proposed that he and Prince Ching certify in writing each other's appointment, with full powers to act. The suggestion was laughed at as utterly unaceptable. Li Hung Chang spoke of the distance of the Court from Pekin, the bad roads to Singan-fu, the present seat of the Government, and the long time that would be required to get a certified copy of the edict. This plea was unavailing. Late on Friday Li Hung Chang sent word to one of the Ministers, informing him that owing to the destruction of the Tsung-li-Yamen no copy that when the Court fled from Pekin the great factory, the seal to be attached when the edict reaches Pekin. This question is in grave complications such acts might entail.

There is a question as to whether the great seal is still in the Forbidden city. If it is there it is because the looters did not find it, all the other official seals having been

The Ministers will hold a meeting to-morrow to decide the question of credentials of the peace envoys. In the meantime Li Hung Chang has telegraphed the text of his credentials to Japan, to the Dowager Empress and Emperor, with a request that they immediately send similar credentials to him here.

If the credentials are despatched by way of Shanghai, it will take a month for them to get to Pekin, but if they are sent direct from Singan-fult will be eighteen days before they can be delivered. To send them by way of Shanghai would be the safer course, as messengers direct from Singan-fu are being constantly held up by foreign soldiers and their despatches destroyed.

An official despatch from Singan-fu states that Gen. Tung Fu Hslang started for Kansu on Dec. 3 in obedience to the order directing him to return to his home as part of the punishment inflicted on him by the Dowager Empress. Thus the court, which was previously in the power of Tung Fu Hsiang's troops, is free to return to Pekin if it wishes

The despatch adds that the other officials whose punishment was ordered by Imperial edict are undergoing their punishments, with the exception of Prince Tuan, who has fled, but who is being hunted for

The Dowager Empress has made no reply to the suggestion forwarded to her through Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching that she return to Pekin under certain conditions. including one that hereafter she shall interfere with the Government in no way, and nother that she live outside the capital She has, however, telegraphed anxiously inquiring as to the delay in starting the peace negotiations and demanding that she be quickly furnished with details of the situa-

A meeting of the military commanders will be held to-morrow to discuss the appointment of an international provisional government for Pekin. The French will not attend this meeting, they not recognizing Count von Waldersee's authority to call it.

tion.

The international provisional government which was established at Tientsin has been in operation since August, and it is not likely that it has favorably impressed the Chinese It is cumbersome, expensive and unsatisfactory. Its chief object seems to be to supply sinecures for military officers.

There are eight department heads with salaries of \$8,000 Mexican a year each. Each of these has private secretaries, who receive 13 000 yearly, and deputy heads, whose salaries are \$6,000 Then there are many other employees who get \$3,000 a year. These high salaries condemn Western government in the eyes of the Chinese, who consider that 1500 is sufficient for the highest Cabinet min-

The salaries paid at Tientsin, which are in addition to the officers' pay, constitute prominent question at present because demand is made for enlarged powers, including jurisdiction over all the adjacent territories where the establishment of pro-

Every bottle of Ballantine's India Pale Ale is put up at the brewery. Every drop of ft is up to grade.

visional governments is deemed necesary. TO TIE UP THE SANTA FE. which might include all the towns to the walls of Pekin.

Demands are also made for unlimited powers regarding public works, the maintenance of communication by the rivers and panals, the right to levy taxes and contribu tions, to collect import duties, to control the police, inflict punishment on the natives. onfiscate real and personal property and the power to inflict banishment or death. Power is also asked to increase salaries.

Gen. Chaffee has written a letter refusing to agree to the proposition to give the provisional government unlimited control of territory. He added that the Government should not begin public works, except such as were temporarily necessary, ile also refused to agree to give power to increase salaries, and instructed Capt. Foote, the American representative in the Government, that he must not accept any remuneration beyond his army pay.

Hereafter there will be no admittance through the American gate of the Forbidden city. Gen. Chaffee says that his order to this effect was necessary because of the conduct of visiting parties, some of whom had assaulted the eunuchs and servants, in addin to looting.

The International Club was opened here o-day. The several Ministers and Generals of the allied forces attended.

The loot fund of the British, the proof the spoils from Paoting-fu, amounted to \$63,000. The British Minister, Sir Ernest Satow, has given this money for charity

The first train from Tientsin since the destruction of the railroad reached here to-day. The line will probably be open for general traffic next Saturday.

The Russians have notified the Chinese that the rebellion in the three eastern provinces of Manchuria has been suppressed by the ungided efforts of the Russians. The Government is asked to appoint local officials immediately. It is also informed that the Russians are withdrawing their troops from these provinces, but that a sufficient number will be retained there to protect the railroad. The removal of about 5,000 men is the Russian

definition of withdrawal. While the lack of certified credentials for the Chinese envoys may delay the final negotiations, it will not delay the presentation of the preliminary note to the Court at Singan-Fu, whither it will be sent by post It will take eighteen days for its delivery.

LOOTING IMPERIAL OBSERVATORY Gen. Chaffee Complains to Von Waldersee of the Removal of Instruments.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN.

LONDON, Dec. 10 .- The Pekin correspondent of the Morning Post says that Gen. Chaffee recently wrote to Field-Marshal Count von Waldersee, complaining of the removal of instruments from the Imperial Observatory. He adds that the letter was returned on account of its tone.

The correspondent further says that Gen. Chaffee has informed the Ministers that owing to the frequent cases of looting all persons are prohibited from passing the American guard when entering the south gate of the palace. The Ministers are offended by this individual assumption of authority.

BERIAN, Dec. 9 .- A despatch from Pekin to the Lokel Anseiger says that the French officers suddenly stopped looting at the Imperial Observatory on Dec. 6. This action was presumably due to instructions from the French War Office. The Germans, however, continue their looting there.

PARIS, Dec. 9.—A Pekin despatch says that M. Pichon, the French Minister, has of his credentials as Commissioner to Japan learned that large quantities of arms are was available as a model and he asked the being imported and that troops are being Minister to lend him his copy. This request | massed on the Indo-China frontier. He seal was left in the Forbidden city, and he to France taking measures to ensure the asked if the arrival of a certified copy of the safety of the frontier and for repressing dict without the great seal would be satis- piracy. He added that France was deter-

be experimentally armed with it.

THE CZAR PUTTING ON WEIGHT. to Walk About His Roo'n.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LIVADIA, Dec. 9 - The physicians attending the Czar issued the following bulletin to-day "His Majesty's recover of strength and general convalescence continue. His weight is increasing. The organs which underwent typhoidal change have resumed their normal condition. His Majes y walked up and down his room to-day. Bulletins will probably

be discontinued Dec. 11." Nelson Relics Stolen.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Dec. 10 -The Telegraph says that a thief entered the great painted hall of Greenwich Hospital, which is used as a naval museum, and stole a quantity of Nelson relies including the Admiral's watch, several of his medals and gold ornaments from his sword sheath. The loss is probably irreparable.

British Steamer's Crew Mutinies.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. HOBART TOWN, Tasmania, Dec. 9-The crew of the British steamer Harlech Castle, which recently brought 600 Australians from South Africa to Adelaide, mutinied to-day. A number of policemen are now on board of her.

Duke of Westminster to Marry.

Special Calle Despatch to THE SUN. London, Dec 2 -The betrothal is an-nounced of the Duke of Westminster to Sheila Cornwallis-West, a sister of the hus-band of Mrs. Cornwallis-West, who was formerly Lady Randolph Churchill.

Vessels at Takn Fast in the Ice.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
BERLIN, Dec. 9.—A despatch from Taku says that the outer harbor there is frozen over and that fifty vessels are fast in the ice.

One Perfect Round of Perfection The service on the Pennsylvania Railroad to the West. Sumptuous sleeping cars, delectable dining HE'LL BE GOOD NOW.

MOVEMENT TO CALL OUT THE TRAIN-MEN IN THE STRIKE.

Telegraphers Say Other Employees Will Help Them Out -Vote in Toxas to Do So Strikers Say the Road Is Already Tied Up - Trains Are Running Generally, However, but on Some Divisions

They Are Operated by Telephone. DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 9.- Men who are in charge of the strike of the Order of Rallway lelegraphers of the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe system say to-night that the trainmen will join them in a day or two, if the strike of the telegraphers is not settled by that time. The trainmen had meetings last night at Gainesville, Cleburne and Temple to consider the proposition of federating with the operators and striking at once.

All the delegates not being present the meetings were adjourned until this afternoon. At Gainesville the vote in favor of joining in the strike if necessary was 329 to 0. The results of the meetings at Cleburne and Temple have not yet been reported to the Dallas committee, but its members express onfidence that the vote over the entire system in Texas will be favorable to federation, and the trainmen will quit work as soon as requested to.

Reports received to-day at local headquarters were to the effect that of fifty-one non-union operators who left Chicago on Friday to take the places of the strikers in Texas, all but eight deserted on the way between Chicago and Cleburne, and one of the eight joined the union men at Cleburne. The other seven told representatives of the union that they would desert at Galveston, that all they cared for was to get free transportation to that place.

The railroad officials are handling passenger trains on the Texas lines almost on schedule time. The arrivals at Dallas to-day were fairly regular but the freight business is not in good shape

Only freight trains scheduled on the time cards are moving with anything approaching regularity. The yards at Gainesville, Fort Cleburne and Temple are badly blocked. The Dallas yards were blocked esterday and this morning, but during the day a large amount of freight was sent out and there is practically no blockade here to-night.

GALVESTON, Tex , Dec. 9 -- President Dolphin of the Order of Railway Telegraphers in a long statement to-night says he has received despatches that the tie-up on the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fé system from Chicago to San Francisco and from Chicago to Galveston is complete.

General Manager Polk of the railroad said to-night that the business of the road is not suffering in the slightest degree; that all trains are leaving on schedule time, and that the company trusts to loyal men, who are sparing no efforts to keep the company's business going. FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 9.- The Santa

FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 9.—The Santa
Fè is meeting with poor success in getting
men to take the places of the striking telegraphers. Late last night when the south
bound train came in several hours late, there
were on board eighteen operators from Kansae
City. They were met at the Union station
by a committee of strikers who were informed
by the newcomers that they did not intend
to work, but had accepted the chance to
come to Texas without paying for the ride.
Some of the men who left Kansas City were
induced to leave the train at Topeka and at
Puroeil and Pauis Valley saveral got off,
wo men who were sent out from here by
the company to work at Crowley and Santa
Anna in the place of the strikers met such
a cool reception that they threw up their
jobs and came back to town. The order to
strike was quickly obeyed here yesterday.
One train was partly on the siding when the
hour arrived. The train stopped in that
position and there remains.
Wichita, Kan. Dec. 9.—Concerning the

being imported and that troops are being massed on the Indo-China frontier. He wrote to Li Hung Chang, saying that this must be stopped or it would inevitably lead to France taking measures to ensure the safety of the frontier and for representing piracy. He added that France was determined to do all in her power to prevent the grave complications such acts might entall.

THE CHINA PEACE AGREEMENT.

Japan Has Instructed Her Minister in Pekin to Sign It.

Washington, Dec. 9—The State Department has been directed to sign the agreement as to the terms with which China must comply hefore peace negotiations will be initiated. The terms with which China must comply hefore peace negotiations will be initiated. The terms with which China must comply hefore peace negotiations will be initiated. The terms with which China must comply hefore peace negotiations will be initiated. The terms with which China must comply hefore peace negotiations will be initiated. The terms with which China must comply hefore peace negotiations will be initiated. The terms with which China must comply hefore peace negotiations will be initiated. The terms with which China must comply hefore peace negotiations will be initiated. The terms with which China must comply hefore peace negotiations will be initiated. The terms with which China must comply hefore peace negotiations will be initiated. The terms with which China must comply hefore peace negotiations will be initiated. The terms with which China must comply hefore peace negotiations will be initiated. The terms with which China must comply hefore peace negotiations will be initiated. The terms with which China must comply hefore peace negotiations will be initiated. The terms with which China must comply hefore peace negotiations will be initiated. The terms with which China must comply hefore peace negotiations will be initiated.

Taken Up by an International syndicate — To Be Tried in German Army.

Special Cable Departs to The Sux.

Berlin, Dec. 9.—A Norwegian engineer named Von Wort

from any one."

Trains on the Santa Fé are running on train schedule, but all are delayed. Supt H T Tice of the western division of the Santa Fé says the trains will run as usual. Twenty-five non-union men came here to work, but only one is working. The strikers predict that the company will give up within five days.

days.

Prento, Col., Dec 9 - Many Santa Férailroad men have quit here and at La Junta in sympathy with the strike of the telegraph operators. The number out is estimated at between 300 and 400 in this division, including all not absolutely necessary in the moving of trains. The telephone is being used in running trains between here and Denver.

Denver.

FORT MADISON, In., Dec. 8.—The telegraphers' strike has extended to the Chicago division of the Santa Fé. An order was issued here to-day shutting down the shops which will effect about 500 men in the car and ma-

THE REV. DR. HOUGHTON DISABLED. Can't Preach in the Little Church Around

the Corner Because of an Injured Foot. The Rev. Dr. George C. Houghton of the Church of the Transfiguration has been unable to preach for the last three weeks beable to breach for the last three weeks be-cause of an accident to his foot. He was standing in the vestibule of his church when a boy opened one of the heavy doors so sud-denly that the preacher could not get out of the way and the door caught his left foot, tearing the tendon of the big toe. He will be able to resume his church work in another week. Bishop Worthington of Nebraska occupied his pulpit last night.

Friend Killed Maine Survivor by Accident. PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 9 -Samuel Griffin, colored, who was on the Maine when she blew up in Havana harbor, was shot in the abdomen in his saloon, 224 River street, at noon to-day and died two hours later at the General Hospital Herman Harris, colored. is under arrest for the shooting, but he was exonerated by the saloon keeper, who said the weapon was accidentally discharged by

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Hagh Krieg of Hawthorne Executes an Agreement Drawn Up by His Wife.

PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 0.-Hugh Krieg. young married man, who resides at Haw thorne, a village three miles north of this city, appeared at Justice Key's office last night with a document which he desired to execute in the presence of the Magistrate. Krieg told the Justice that his wife was a country girl and a church member with queer notions about some things. She had remonstrated with him about his desire to see a little of life, and three weeks ago when he came to this city and failed to return home that night she packed up and went back to her mother She refused to return to him unless he signed an agreement which she wrote out herself.

It reads as follows: To whom it may concern: In consideration of the fact that my wife allows me to return home to reside there and enjoy her companlonship, love and care, I. Hugh Krieg, do here by promise to begin anew, treat my wife properly and return home before 10 o'clock when not abroad on mutual engagements. I de promise to work for and support her as well as my position in life will allow. I do promise further to give her all my earnings, to attend prayer meeting, to abstain from intoxicating liquors, also from tobacco and cigars, and in future to conduct myself strictly in a decent, sober, orderly manner."

Krieg signed this, and when the Justice had signed it Krieg carried it back to his wife.

BRIDEGROOM DIES OF EXCITEMENT. Married on Saturday Evening and Was Dead Testerday Afternoon.

Joseph Doppler, 30 years old, of 90 Bank street, was married on Saturday evening. He died yesterday afternoon as the result of the excitement caused by his marriage, his physician says.

Doppler became very ill early yesterday morning. His bride called to the neighbors for help and the woman from the flat below went to her assistance. Doppler didn't get any better and Dr. W. H. McIntyre of \$26 West Eleventh street was called in, but the bridegroom died just before & o'clock yesterday afternoor

The death was reported to the Coroner's office as the physician did not feel able to give a certificate showing exactly the cause of death. He believes it to be heart disease Coroner's Physician Weston will make an autopsy to-day.

EYES TORN OUT BY AN IRON HOOP. Coachman Stepped on One End and the Other Flow Up in His Face.

Andrew Rosselli, a Swiss coachman, living at 229 East Twenty-sixth street, was walk ing up Madison avenue yesterday afternoon when in front of the Manhattan Club, at 26 Madison avenue, he stepped on an fron hoop which was lying on the sidewalk. As he stepped on the hoop he fell forward. At the same time his weight on one end of the hoop propelled the other end upward, striking him in the eyes and leaving him uncon scious. Rosselli was taken to Believue Hos It was found there that his eyes had pital. been nearly torn out. He will lose the sight of both. The scalp on his forehead was also torn of.

EX-SENATOR IRBY DEAD. Man Who Helped Tillman to Success Passe

Away at His Home. COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 9 .- John Lawren Manning Irby, former United States Senator. died at his home in Laurens to-day of Bright's disease. His political career was remarkable. He took an active part in politics on only two occasions, and both were revolutions. Each time he was with the victors. ginia and Princeton and was admitted to practise law in South Carolina in 1876. The same year he plunged into the campaign and did heavy work for the Democrats, his

and did heavy work for the Democrats, his service being recognized by Gov. Hampton, who made him Colonel on his staff.

Irby gave up law and went to planting. He entered the reform movement as a supporter of Tillman and in the famous "March convention" of 1890, took the floor when the nomination was about to be defeated, turned the tide and had Tillman named. He was chosen as chairman of the Reform Executive Committee, organized the campaign and won the victory. That winter Irby was elected Senator over Wade Hampton. Before the expiration of his term he quarrelled with Tillman and did not stand for reelection.

When Senator Earle died, he made the contest and sustained his first defeat by Melaurin. Since then he has refused all political honors and had recently practised law with success. political honors a law with success.

THE REV. W. E. JOHNSON ACQUITTED. Jury Held Him Not Gullty of Murder in Killing Bellinger.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 9.-The Rev W. E. Johnson was acquitted this morning at Bamberg for the killing of William T Bellinger. The trial has been in progress all the week and the case went to the jury yesterday afternoon. After deliberating for eleven hours, the jury at 5 o'clock this morning had Judge Watts called from his bed and handed in the verdict of not guilty. Intense interest was taken in the trial. Bellinger who was court stenographer in the Bamberg circuit lived ne t to Mr. Johnson and their trouble grew out of the fact that Johnson performed the marriage ceremony of Bellinger's sister and Joe Brown, a young man in the neighborhood whom the Bellingers did not fancy. A plea of self-defence was put up for the defence. Bellinger was riddled with buckshot by the minister, but it was asserted that Bellinger fired twice with a revolver before he was killed. Feeling ran high over the tragedy and Johnson said on the stand that he returned to his home and reloaded his gun as he was afraid the killing might be avenged. Attorney-General Bellinger appeared for the State in the prosecution. Ever since the killing Johnson has been regularly filling his ministerial appointments.

Mr. Johnson appeared in his pulpit to-day tense interest was taken in the trial.

CHUCK CONNORS PINCHED Because a Man Couldn't See Anything Funny in Having His Eyebrows Burned Off.

Chuck Connors was arrested last night as the result or a lodging house inmate's failure to appreciate one of Chuck's little jokes. The trate lodger was John McDonald. whose address for to-day's police court purposes will be 20 Bowery. That's where he went last night for a lodging.

He was found there asleep in a chair by Chuck and his friends, who blacked his face with shee blacking contributed by one of the friends from his kit. Then somebody, Chuck, it is said, prepared a pipe filling of one part tobacco and two parts gunpowder and waking McDonald up asked him if he wouldn't like a smoke. McDonald would, of course, and filled his clay with the mixture and lit it with Chuck's match. The pipe-stem was less than two inches long so when the powder blew up most of it went up McDonald's nose and the rest burned off his eyebrows.

The singed lodger chased Connors down the strips and into Bayard street where Policeman McDermott got him.

Chuck said that his real name was Patrick and that he was an "actor for sure" of 16 Chrystie street. He was found there asleep in a chair by

Gov. Roosevelt Spends Sunday Here.

Gov. Roosevelt spent yesterday in this city. In the afternmoon he went to the Union League Club, where he staved until 7 o'clock in the evening. Then he went to his sister's house for the night. He will go to Albany his morning.

Stop Over at Niagara Falls and breathe some of its ozone and get a new lease of life by taking the New York Central the next time FATHER DIED BY SAME GUN

THAT PHILIP SONDHEIM USED TO KILL HIMBELP. This Was at Bradford, Pa., in 1889, When

Philip Was Just Back From His Service With the Aster Battery - Verdict Was Suicide .- Phuip Leaves Many Letters. BRADFORD, Pa., Dec. 9. The army re-

colver with which Philip Sondheim, formerly of the Astor Battery, killed himself in a New fork street on Saturday evening was without doubt the same weapon with which his father was shot and killed in this city on March 20, 1899. The verdict of the Coroner's jury was suicide.

Philip's father, Henry, was a retired merchant, who had gone blind. He was a man of violent temper. Philip Sondheim, a short time before the father's death had returned from the Philippine Islands. One evening, when his sisters. Ray and Sophie Sondhelm. were in their apartments on the upper floor and Henry Sondheim and Philip were alone downstairs the girls heard a shot fired. When they reached the head of the stairs Philip was at the foot calling out that his father had shot himself. Philip ran for a doctor and Drs. Benninghoff and Winger responded, but the old man, sitting upright in a chair in the parlor, was dead. The bullet had entered his right temple and passed almost on horizontal line through his brain. A cigar which he had been smoking had dropped out of his mouth into his lap. Philip told the dectors that he had been

sitting in the living room when he heard the shot. He said the revolver was his. Drs. Winger and Benninghoff examined the wound and the appearance of the skin around the wound, and then Dr. Winger took the revolver away with him. He was made chairman of the Coroner's jury. When the jury was summoned the doctor appeared with twelve squares of white cloth, through each of which he had discharged a bullet with the muzzle of the revolver from one to twelve inches away. He asked Dr. Benninghoff which strip of cloth resembled in appearance the skin around the wound and Benninghoff pointed to a particular strip. Winger, turning it over, showed where he had marked a figure e, indicating that the muzzle had been held nine inches away when the shot was fired. Then he asked each juror to close his eyes and point the revolver at his head with the muzzle nine inches away from his head, trusting to instinct for his aim, and in each case if the weapon had been discharged the bullet would have gone wide of the mark. Dr. Winger presented the circumstantial evidence to show that it was physical impossibility for Mr. Sondhelm to have shot himself with the muzzle of the pistol nine inches away.

On examination Philip told a very straightforward story and the verdict was brought in suicide

The revolver with which young Sondheim shot himself on Saturday night at Sixth avenue and Forty-first street, after he had used it to menace five men, including two Central Office detectives who were trying to prevent him from killing himself, is an army Colt of the old 44-calibre, marked with the numbers 98 and 143 and the initials "P. S. S.

Sondheim had in his pockets when he shot himself twelve stamped envelopes, eight containing letters and four containing cards.

They were addressed to ten women and two men of his acquaintance, some of whom were very slight acquaintances. They have not been unsealed, but it is supposed that they have forwells.

very slight acquaintances. They have not been unsealed, but it is supposed that they are farewells.

Two of the young women for whom Sondheim left letters met him last summer at the Germania Hotel at Arverne-by-the-Sea. He called on them both a week ago last night and said something to the effect that they might not see him again because his money was getting low. That was the only thing that young Sondheim dreaded, they said. He inherited about \$60,000 from his father, and then get some more money later on. He spent it freely and said that when it was gone he would go too. One day at Arverne he cut a lock of hair from a married woman's head and was threshed by the woman's head and was threshed by the woman's head and was threshed by the woman's husband.

"Sondheim was a law student," said the father of one of these two women, "but he hated the law and he hated to study because it was too much like work. Once he tried to be a jeweller and got a place with a friend down in Maiden lane but found there was work in that, so he gave it up."

Another girl for whom Sondheim left a card is a pupil in a private school. She had met Sondheim only once and that was when he came to the school to call on another pupil.

Capt. McClusky said last night that Detectives Reidy and Armstrong, who were in the group of men held up by Sondheim on Sixth arenue, were justified in not jumping on the man and disarming him before he killed himself.

"Sondheim was not about to commit a

self.
"Sondheim was not about to commit a felony," said McClusky, "and the detectives had no right to risk their lives unnecessarily."
The suicide's body is at Winterbotham's undertaking room on Sixth avenue and will be sent to Someraworth, N. H., to-night.

LIPEBOAT TO YACHT'S RESCUE. Took Owner, Crew and Woman Guest From

70-Footer Disabled in Gale. GREENPORT, N. Y., Dec. 9 .- The 70-foot schooner yacht Rosins of Atlantic City, N. J., owned by H. T. Melpass of Philadelphia was disabled in the gale last night, her steering gear giving way off Horton's Point light in Long Island Sound. She was bound from Lynn, Mass., where she was launched about a week ago, to Atlantic City. She about a week ago, to Atlantic City. She had lost her small boats and one anchor at Vineyard Haven on Wednesday. The remaining anchor was cast in hopes of saving the yacht from going onto the beach, and a distress signal set. She was discovered this morning by a farm hand, who telephoned the Hocky Point life station seven miles away. The captain got a team and the life savers were on the beach in two hours. They succeeded in landing the owner, his gue t, Miss Florence Jones, of Lynn, Miss., and the crew. Owner Melpass telegraphed to wrecking companies, but was unable to get a tug to so panies, but was unable to get a tug to go out in the gale. The vacht is dragging and may be on the beach before morning. She was to start on a cruise to Florida this week after fitting up at Atlantic City.

OVERJOYED AT GETTING A JOB

And the Next Morning Geoghan Was Found Dead -Reputed Cousin of Chief Devery. Michael Geoghan, 67 years old, who lived at the Raines law hotel at 579 First avenue, had been out of work for the last two weeks. Walter Williams, a foreman in the employ of the Metropolitan Street Railway Company, with whom he roomed, informed him one Saturday night that he had got a job for him and he was to go to work on Monday, Geoghan was overloyed. He sat up late laughing and joking with Williams. Vesterday morning when Williams awoke Geoghan did not seem to be breathing. Examination showed that he was dead. His body was sent to the Morgue, where an autopsy will be held to determine the cause of death. Geoghan, it was said at the hotel, was a first cousin of Chief Devery. The Chief said jast night that hed never heard of a cousin named Geoghan. Walter Williams, a foreman in the employ

Mrs. Herrimen Ill.

Mrs. Oliver Harriman is seriously ill at her residence, "Hill Top Grange," Port Chester, N. Y. She had been in poor health during the past summer and her condition has not improved. She rented her town house last winter and moved to Port Chester in the hope that her health might be bettered. But she has grown steadily worse and there is now little hope of her recovery.

The Train for Pittsburg. Only \$0.00 first class and \$3.50 accound class, New York to Pittaburg via Baitmore & Ohio R. R. on "Pittaburg Immited." Leave New York, South Ferry, 4:56 P. M., and laberty street 7:00 P. M.; arrive Pittaburg 8:356

TEN LIVES LOST ON LAKE ERIE. Iron Ore Laden Barge Charles Foster Sinks Suddenly in a Gale.

ERIR, Pa., Dec. 9.- The iron ore carrying barge Charles Foster went to the bottom of Like Erie ten miles from Erie to-day, taking with her a crew of eight men, without warning She was hit by a terrific squall, pitched forward and sank. She was valued at \$200,-000 and was one of the Corrigan fleet. At the time of the accident she was being towed the steamer Iron Duke, also ore laden.

Both vessels were bound from Duluth to Erie. The Iron Duke's captain, who teached port safely with his vessel, said that the only warning he had of the Foster's danger was a shrill blast of her whistle. The sen was running high at the time and the tow line parted almost simultaneously with the blast of the whistle and the Foster plunged beneath the waves. The water was so turbulent that it was impossible for the crew of the Iron Duke to offer

any assistance. The two yessels left Duluth on Dec. 3 and had fair weather until Saturday afternoon, when the wind came very heavy from the northwest and blew steadily for several hours. It moderated somewhat about midnight, but later came again with redoubled force and by & o'clock in the morning was the worst gale in his experience on the lakes. The dead are Capt. John Bridges, Cleveland; Seeman William Kelly, Port Austin, Mich. Robert Wood, a woman cook, name not known; two men, shipped at Cleveland; the first mate. Ashtabula, and a sailor from Detroit.

WANTS A DISCOUNT ON HIS FINE. Gen. Marsh, the Recipient of Pingree's Par-

don. Wants & Per Cent. Off for Cash. GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 9. -Gen. Arthur F. Marsh, former Inspector-General of Michigan, who with Gen. White was pardoned by Gov. Pingree for complicity in the militia swindle on condition that they pay a fine of \$5,000 each, in annual installments of \$1,000, has telegraphed \$1,000 to Treasurer Kingsbury of Ingham county in accordance with the terms of his pardon, and then caused astenishment by offering to pay the other \$4,000 at once provided he was granted 5 per cent. discount

CAR CONDUCTOR HAS SMALLPOX. Two New Cases of the Disease Reported to the Health Board.

Two new cases of smallpox were reported to the Department of Health late on Saturday night. The first case was James Killoran, 29 years old, of 120 East 127th street. He is conductor on the Broadway horsecar line. The Department of Health physicians hadn't learned yesterday how he came in contact with the disease, as his home is in a section not before visited by smallpox. The second sill eight or ten inches over which any one case was that of three-year-old Charles might easily stumble. With the exception Allen of 241 West Sixty-seventh street.

GRRMAN SHIP EDMUND ASHORE. Fear That She Will Be Wrecked on the Cali-

fornia Coast. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 9.-News comes from Santa Rosalie that the big German ship Edmund is ashore at that place and has several holes in her bottom. It is feared she the Wilhelm Tell and was here two years ago. She is of 3,170 tons.

MRS. G. M. PULLMAN TO WED? Report That She Is to Marry Gerard Barry a New York Artist.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9 .- The report is current in man, widow of the palace car magnate, is Abe Case, Major Dickinson, E. D. of Mrs. Pullman and Mr. Barry ha open secret, and the recent visit of Mr. Barry to Chicago for the purpose of giving suggestions concerning the renovation of the Pullman Prairie avenue mansion has started the story that the wedding will take place be-

fore the end of the winter. There is a romance connected with the acquaintance of Mr. Barry with the Pullman family. About ten years ago Marshall Field employed the artist, who was then not 30 years old, to paint the portrait of his daughter. Ethel Tree. The portrait won the admiration of Mr. Pullman, who gave the artist a number of sittings. The portrait of Mr. Pullman proved a difficult task, and as the painter realized that it would do much toward making his reputation he spent a great deal of time upon it. In the weeks that he was at work putting the features of the millionaire on canvas Mr. Barry gained the friendship of the entire Pullman family and since that time has been a frequent visitor at Eiberon, N. J., and Thousand Islands, where the Pullman summer homes are situated.

Mrs. Pullman is out of the city. Mrs. George M. Pullman, Jr., and the Fernslds said to-day that they had not heard the report and knew nothing about the facts. The same silence was maintained by the other members of the Pullman family. family. About ten years ago Marshall Field

FROM THE STAGE TO THE ALMSHOUSE. Once Famons German Tenor Becomes

Pauper in San Francisco. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9 -- Frederick Moos brugger, once a famous German tenor, is now in the San Francisco almshouse, where he was taken a few days ago on his own appli cation. He wore a tattered old cloak and a decayed opera hat, which were the only signs of his former success except his perfect signs of his former success eacept his perfect manners. He brought a big trunk which was packed with sonvenirs of his professional life on the stage. Moosbrugger is from the Austrian Tyrol and he sang under the name of Brucci. It fell to his lot to sing in the first production of "Tannhauser" in the Royal Theatre at Karlsruhe. He then went to Stuttgart to sing at State concerts given by the King of Wurtemberg Alter a successful concert tour he went to Paris and then to London, where he took Capoul's pace as Wilhelm Magher to Christine Neilsen's Mignon. Then his voice Iailed and his record has since been one of misery.

VANDERBILT AUTO SCARES A HORSE.

Wm. K., Jr., Offers to Pay for the Damage and Quotes the Law on Hitching Horses. OYSTER BAY, L. I., Dec. 9 -- William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., in his big automobile, known to the natives as the "White Devil," passed to the natives as the "White Devil," passed through Oyster Bay this afternoon on the way to the Saawanhaka Corinthian Yacut Club house on Centre Island. A borse owned by Leonard Hicks took fright at the machine and ran away. The burgy became locked with a telephone pole and was somewhat damaged. Mr. Hicks talked good naturedly to Mr. Vanderbilt about the mishap and the latter told Mr. Hicks to make repairs and send him the bill. The horse had been left unhitched while Mr. Hicks went into a drug store, and Mr. Vanderbilt quoted the law to Mr. Hicks relative to the hitching of horses. to Mr. Hicks relative to the hitching of horses.

A CRIPPLE CREEK DEFAULTER. Overissne of Stock in Several Companies -Some Buyers Protected.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Col., Dec. 9 -- Chester P. Bentley, the defaulting secretary of Cripple Creek mining companies, who was arrested Creek mining companies, who was arrested at Clinton, Ia., last night, is charged in a warrant sworn out by President Arcularius of the Astor Company, with over-insurance of stock. His defaications reach \$30,000 or more. Bo far as traced his principal victims are Gladstone, 2,000,000 shares: Astor, 18,000; Golden Age, 78,000; Shannon,37; Surprise, 10,000. Proposition, Golden Treasure, Lipton and Security also lost. Most of the companies have made their losses good to protect buyers.

Bentley is an expert accountant He attributes his downfall to liquor and gambling.

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DIED LIKE HORACE HAYDEN

ARTIST M'AULIFFE PITCHES HEAD-LONG THROUGH THE WINDOW.

He Became Dizzy. His Wife Thinks, While Looking Out to See What the Weather Was Like Seventy Years Old and Noted for 83 Years as a Painter of Fine Horses.

Under circumstances precisely similar to those surrounding the death of the late Horace J. Hayden, Mr. John McAuliffe, an aged artist well known among horse fanciers throughout the country as a skilful painter of trotters and runners, was killed about o'clock yesterday morning by failing from the fourth story window of his home, at 405 West Twenty-second street. Mr. McAuliffe lived on the top floor of a high brownstone house in apartments which run through from front to rear. At the time of his death only his wife and he were up and about the house. His daughter and son were asleep in two of the interior bedrooms. Mrs McAuliffe said that when she went out to church at 6 o'clock in the morning her husband was asleep and she did not call him

"On my return," said Mrs. McAuliffe, "and while I was in the kitchen answering the dumbwaiter hell, he got up and came to the kitchen door and asked me why I had not awakened him so he could go to church with me. I replied that I had thought it better for him to sleep and advised him to go back to bed and I would call him when breakfast was ready. He was then standing in the dining room just by the kitchen door. I turned back into the kitchen and was by the dumbwaiter when I heard the crash of something falling in the area back of the house. I did not know what it was until I heard the neighbors crying out, and then I looked out and saw

"The window of the dining room looking out into the rear area was wide open. My husband, I am sure, went to this window to look out and see what the weather was like. It was his habit to do so, and he even frequently went up on the roof to look at the weather. He had planned to-day to go to the Speedway with his brother, Patrick McAuliffe, to see the horses there, and I suppose he thought of that and went to the window to see what the day was like. Up to within wo weeks ago he was in excellent health. Within the last fortnight, however, he has been alling and complaining a good deal and he had frequent attacks of giddiness. I suppose he was seized with one of these dizzy spells as he was leaning out of the window an so lost his balance."

The window is a low one with its sill not more than two feet from the floor. Besides that there is a board reaching out from the might easily stumble. With the exception of the window board these are precisely the conditions even to the recent illness and attacks of giddiness, which were connected with the death of Mr. Hayden.

Mr. McAuliffe, who was 70 years old, has lived and painted horses in New York for the last fifty-three years. There is not a lover of fast horses, especially those who are now old or in middle life, who did not know of him and his work, and although he was naturally will be wrecked. The Edmund was formerly of a retiring and modest temperament, the fame he had in his specialty, as well as the very comfortable financial returns which came from it, sought him out. The late Robert Bonner was one of his admirers and he painted for Mr. Bonner pictures of Maud S., Rarus, Dexter and other noted horses in the Bonner stables. The paintings were very much admired. He also painted pic-Chloago society that Mrs. George M. Pull- tures of the teams of former Mayor Grant, Crouse soon to be married to Gerard Barry, a New | of Syracuse; Major Hammon, of the Murray York artist. For some time the engagement Hill Hotel, and the late Col. Kip. The last had for a picture was from Col. Kip just before the Colonel's death the subject being a pair of winners Col. Kip

had had in the Horse Show. Two years ago he painted a group called "Famous Trotters of the Past Quarter Century," which was on exhibition in a Broadway window for a time and attracted a great deal

of attention. Even while a boy in Ireland, where he was born, Mr. McAuliffe got no little local fame from pictures of running horses which he painted for Mr. Garry Barry of County Cork. among them being Sir Arthur and Valentine a famous steeplechaser which won a great race over one of the Marquis of Waterford's crack runners. Up to as late as last Friday Mr. McAuliffe was busy at his work. He finished that day pictures of two horses wned by Mrs. Sydney Dillon Ripley of Hempstead, pictures which had not been ordered but were painted from sheer admiration of the subjects on the part of the artist. What horse fanciers especially admired in Mr. McAuliffe's work was his skill representing the gait of a horse. He is entirely a self-taught artist, never having d any instruction whatever in his profes-

sion. Besides a brother, Mr. McAuliffe leaves a widow and four children, all of whom live in this city. OSWALD OTTENDORFER VERY LOW

No Material Change in His Condition Yes-

terday -His Family at His Bedside. There was no material change yesterday n the condition of Oswald Ottendorfer, in the condition of Oswald Ottendorfer, the proprietor of the Staats Zeitung, who is in a very critical condition from the effects of a recent survical operation. It was said at his home, 150 Central Park South, last night that a slight improvement in Mr. Ottendorfer's condition had been noted in the afternoon, but last night he lost the little ground he had gained. On account of his age grave fears are entertained for his recovery. His family remained close to his bedside all day yesterday, as it was feared that he might take a turn for the worse.

CUT AT SENATOR'S NEPHEW. Silver Slashed at Atwell, but Made a Gash in His Coat Only.

George Atwell, a nephew of State Senator Ahearn, was assaulted last night at the foot Ahearn, was assaulted last night at the foot of the Sixth avenue elevated railroad stairs in Twenty-eighth street by a man who made two slashes at him with a carving knife.

Atwell's coat was cut on the sleeve but he was not hurt. His assailant followed him to Madison Square Garden where Atwell told a policeman about the assault and the man with the knife was arrested. He is Frank L. Silver, he says, manager of a baseball nine of women.

Another Bubonic Plague Death in Frisco. AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 9. - State Health Officer W. F. Blunt to-day received a telegram an-W. F. Blunt to-day received a telegram announcing another death from the bubonic plague in San Francisco. The Quarantine against San Francisco will continue to be enforced at El Paso and on the western border of the State for an indefinite period. Louisians and other Southern States have become alarmed at the prolonged existence of the disease in San Francisco and a general quarantine by all the Southern States may be declared against the infected city.

Rabbi Harrison Not Coming to Emanu-El. Sr. Louis, Dec. 9.-Rabbi Harrison has declined a call to the Temple Emanu-El, New York, which it is said was offered him by James Seligman, Louis Stern and A. J. Dittenhoefer on behalf of the congregation.

\$6,50 to Washington, D. C. and return via Royal Blue Line for the Centennial Celebration. Tickets Food to go on Describer 11th and to return on or be-fore December 14th. Stations in New York, Central R. R. of New Jersey, Liberty Street and South Perry. —Ade.

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